

**SUPPLEMENTAL**  
**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
**IN ORIGINAL APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**APPARATUSES AND METHODS FOR REDUCING ALBUMIN IN SAMPLES**

the specification of which was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 19, 2004 as United States Application Number 10/804,592.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: NONE

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed: Provisional Application No. 60/494,664, filed on August 13, 2003; Provisional Application No. 60/506,634, filed on September 25, 2003; Provisional Application No. 60/506,579, filed on September 26, 2003; and Provisional Application No. 60/531,377, filed on December 19, 2003.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: Provisional Application No. 60/494,664, filed on August 13, 2003; Provisional Application No. 60/506,634, filed on September 25, 2003; Provisional Application No. 60/506,579, filed on September 26, 2003; and Provisional Application No. 60/531,377, filed on December 19, 2003.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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1. Review the declaration and verify the correctness of all information therein; and
2. Review the specification and the claims, including any amendments made to the claims.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SUBMISSION OF SUPPLEMENTAL COMBINED DECLARATION AND  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.67, Applicant submits herewith a Supplemental Declaration with respect to the above-identified application. As noted in MPEP §603, deficiencies or inaccuracies in an original oath or declaration may be corrected by a supplemental oath or declaration. Upon review of the original declaration submitted in this application, it has been noted that the provisional patent application priority claims are inaccurate. The attached Supplemental Declaration includes the correct provisional patent application priority claim data.

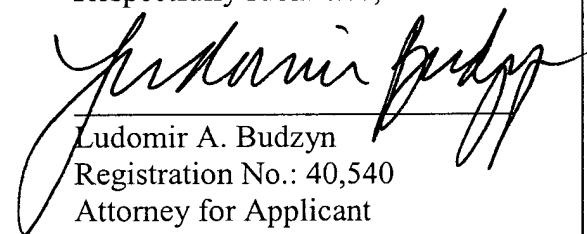
For the record, the subject application includes a proper claim of priority to the four cited priority provisional patent applications, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(5). Thus, priority is

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properly claimed to the cited provisional patent applications. The PTO has acknowledged priority to these four provisional patent applications both in the original filing receipt and in the publication of the subject application.

Favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions or if additional information is required, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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